



**2026 International Conference of Indigenous Archives, Libraries, and Museums
Meeting of the National Planning Council**

Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. **EST**

Zoom Link: Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3395257990?omn=81279152531>

60-Minute Action Agenda

***Purpose:** To engage the National Planning Council in discussing time-sensitive conference activities.*

2:00 p.m. Welcome & Announcements *Susan Feller, ATALM President & CEO*

- Deferring selection of artist, conference theme, and conference chair(s) to April 28 Local Planning Meeting
- RSVP for April 28 in-person NPC meeting in Spokane [April 28th NPC Meeting RSVP](#)

2:07 p.m. Update on Conference Programming, *Jess Cordes, ATALM Director of Programs*

- 230+ Proposals Received
- Preliminary Report
- Reel Talks
- Tribal Library Council programming
- April 14 – Final Program is released
- **Action Needed: Need more proposals in the artificial intelligence and fund-raising sessions.**

2:14 p.m. Registration (Jess Cordes)

- Goal for 2026: 1,200
- Status Report
- **Action Needed:** Register before March 27 for deepest discount

2:21 p.m. Exhibitors/Advertisers/Artist Booths (Melissa Brodt)

- Maximum Exhibitors (50 max/37 to date)
- Advertisers (Covers sold, only inside available, budget is \$12,000, to date sold \$6,000)
- Art Market (Sold out at 30 booths/9 on waiting list, working with convention center to add more)
- **Action Needed:** Share opportunities with networks

2:28 p.m. Scholarship Update, Jess Cordes

- \$100,000 awarded for registration and lodging
- Deadline is March 23
- **Action Needed:** Promote the opportunity to your networks (see below)

2:35 p.m. Pacific Islander Delegation Susan Feller

- Up to 28 delegates
- Funded by IMLS
- Specific programming including interacting with PI folks in Spokane

2:42 p.m. Keynote Presenters ([Whiteboard Discussion](#))

2:55 p.m. Open Discussion/Announcements from NPC Members

3:00 p.m. Adjourn

- After Hours: For those of you who can stay, this is a good time to introduce yourself, ask questions, and socialize.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, April 1, 2 p.m. EST

Social Media or E-mail Post for Promoting Scholarships

I'm serving on the National Planning Council for ATALM2026 in Spokane, WA from September 21-24. I want to personally encourage folks in my network to attend and, if needed, apply for a conference scholarship.

ATALM has committed \$100,000 to help cover full registration (includes preconference and cultural events) and lodging.

If you work in tribal libraries, archives, museums, language programs, or cultural preservation — this gathering is for you. Application deadline is March 23. More info here: <https://www.atalm.org/conference-2026/scholarship-awards/> Hope to see you there!

[Link to Graphic](#)



Key Documents ([Available on the NPC web page](#))

1. Planning Council

- [Toolkit](#)
- [Committee Charters](#)
- [Roster of Members](#)
- [Committee Members](#)
- [Meeting Notes, February 4](#)

2. Conference Location

- [Hotel Information](#)
 - [Davenport Grand](#), \$169/night
 - [Doubletree by Hilton](#), \$150/night
- Meeting Space
 - Summits, September 21, located at the [Davenport Grand](#)
 - Preconference Workshops and Conference Sessions, September 22-24, located at the [Spokane Convention Center](#)
- [Airport and Ground Transportation](#)
- [Local Attractions](#)

3. Programming

- [FAQ's](#)
- [Past Programs](#)
- [Session Proposal Style Guide](#)
- [Submission Form](#) (due Tuesday, February 10)

4. Meeting Materials (Includes agendas, materials, notes)

- April 28, 2026 Spokane Site Visit

5. Key Dates

- Wednesday, March 25: Scholarship committee commences reviews
- Wednesday, April 1, 2026, 2:00 PM Eastern, Zoom
- Tuesday, April 28, 2026, Local Planning Meeting, 9:00AM-5:00PM Pacific, Spokane, WA
- ~~Wednesday, May 6, 2026, 2:00 PM Eastern, Zoom~~
- Wednesday, June 3, 2026, 2:00 PM Eastern, Zoom
- Wednesday, July 1, 2026, 2:00 PM Eastern, Zoom
- Wednesday, August 5, 2026, 2:00 PM Eastern, Zoom
- Wednesday, September 2, 2026, 2:00 PM Eastern, Zoom
- Monday, September 21-Thursday, September 24: Conference